Rocket No.: 43888-105

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re Application of

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NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY AND NEGATIVE

ELECTRODE FOR THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

Noting the Office Action of August 20, 2003 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect Group I (claims 1-13, drawn to a non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery and its electrode) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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